Economics and Social Impacts Committee Roadmap Issues

Roadmap for Economic and Social Impacts Committee Work

The Roadmap is intended to outline work and ideas that need to be agendized, discussed, and accomplished by the group for future efforts. These areas obviously overlap into the technical and steering (policy) committee areas.

- Committee process review and recommend efforts and funding needs to the Steering Committee for concurrence and support.
- 2. Areas of discussion, research, study, planning, development or other efforts
 - a. Continue to identify and refine the cost of increasing salinity on both a macro and a micro scale.
 - b. Continue to identify sources of salt (facilitate brainstorming on sources)
 - i. Grain/corn for ethanol and other imports
 - ii. Agricultural chemicals nutrients
 - iii. Water softeners
 - iv. Other anthropogenic sources of importance
 - v. Characterize natural sources
 - vi. Identify economically efficient source reduction
 - c. Identify Salt Sinks, Storage and Disposal options (facilitate brainstorming on options)
 - i. Current salt Sinks and impacts
 - ii. Universe of conceivable options, not just the feasible, identify best for study
 - iii. Future salt storage and disposal options
 - iv. Identify economically efficient salt sink, storage or disposal options

- d. Characterize the reduction in salt to the valley from an isolated delta facility (What does isolated Delta Facility mean? Does this refer to a peripheral canal-like concept?)
 - i. Reduction in salt
 - ii. Cost of facility/efficiency compared to removal/treatment
- e. Long term cost of Salt Management
 - i. How do we identify and quantify the long term cost of management?
 - ii. How do we identify and quantify the long term benefit of doing it?
- f. Long Term, who should pay and how; from the Economic and Social perspective
 - i. Facilitated brainstorming on who pays, how they pay, what is fair and why
 - ii. How should the funds be managed, centralized or decentralized?
 - iii. How should the effort be coordinated and organized?
 - iv. Identify roles and actions
- g. How do we get water providers involved?
 - i. Who, why, and when
 - ii. Carrot or Stick or Both
- h. Recommendations from other committees related to Economics and Social impacts